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MINISTER PREFERS SALOONS.

The attitude of one of Morgantown's prominent ministers on the liquor question will prove quite grinding at least to the fellows who are always lending their efforts to the blind-tiger and speak easy, in preference to the saloon. But it shows that he has studied the ques tion to his own satisfaction and has arrived at conclusions so convincing to himself, at least that he has the courage of his convictions and does not hesitale to express them. He deals with a situation, which, in his own words, is the most horrible and repulsive imaginable a situation that the law has proven itself powerless to cope with, and such as existed here many years, the memory of which is fresh. He has taken radical grounds for a minister and yet his motive is merely to do away with a great evil for a less one, as he himself expresses it. What action will be taken on his utterances along this line remains to be seen, but in all justice to the gentleman. it must be conceded that he means for the best and appears to have the good of the community at heart.

Here is what he says and which is go ing to stir things up in religious and temperance circles, especially in tem perence circles, since that element o the population can not reconcile itsel to the legalizing of the sale of liquor notwithstanding that ofttimes improves conditions and keeps the sale within reasonable bounds:

"We know that liquor is being sold here in speakeasies. Everybody in the town knows it. There seems to be no way of stopping the sale which has been the practice for years and will probably continue until the end of the chapter,"

"I have always been opposed to the open saloon, but I really think that an open saloon properly regulated by law in its operation would be infinitely preferable to the blind tiger which hides from the light where officers cannot discover how they are run.

"They sell to minors and every one else. They sell to students who are fre quently drunk on the streets. The faculty could prevent students from enter ing open saloons and the town could make it contrary to law for students to be allowed in saloons.

"This town bears on every hand evidences that liquor is being sold here. The streets are covered with broken bee bottles in every direction. Everybody sees them. All efforts to prevent then from running have proven fruitless in the past and I am afraid that they will prove equally futile in the future.

"The revenue feature does not appea to me, but I think that on the grou that the saloons may be better regulated and the whiskey evil confined to proper bounds with more ease with license than under existing circumstances license would be preferable. I am tired of the whole business."

For some reason the name of the min ister is withheld by the Morgantown Dominion, which publishes the interview but any man of the sacred garb, who has the courage to thus express himself will also be found with sufficient sort of stuff to disclose his identity at the proper time.

makes are worthy of careful thought.

weighed his prejudice and led him to open declaration. It may be he is in will say he is not right.

onsumption of intoxicants, and there are but few of any size that do not, it is better to have the licensed saloon.

PROTECT CITY FROM FIRE.

The fire-fighting equipment of Clarks ourg is very imadequate. When the present outfit was ordered a few years igo every one rejoiced, not because of its efficiency, but because a step had been taken in the right direction. It was not expected to end there, as it did. Exnsion should have been the motto and to-day there should have been a far superior apparatus. The Telegram has uggested a hook and ladder equipment time after time, but in vain. There are a few ladders to hang on the wagon, but it is stated by one in authority that they can not handle these ladders, and even, if they could, they would be of little service at a fire in a high building. A hook and ladder equipment is absolutely essential and should be purchased

In this connection the Telegram points out Clarksburg's fortunate location as to water. The city has the river on the one side and the creek on two other sides. At almost any season in the year there is an abundance of water in both the river and the creek. But some will ask what that has to do with the ire department. It has this: There ought to be an engine or two connected with the fire department. Such addi tional equipments would give power to take avail of the opportunity this water iffords and could be used in addition to the water works, which have show themselves insufficient on more than one ecasion and which to-day could not cope with flumes of any considerable fierce ness. The cost of hose to operate these engines would be a trifle and they could be placed at most any point in the cit;

and be successfully run. It may be well to state that ther is a strong intimation that insurance rates will take a jump in the spring, es pecially in Glen Elk and the East End. where there is not that protection that such vast amounts of property call for. It will be because of the insufficiency of the water works and the fire department equipment.

From a common sense and practical view, is it better to continue to pay more and more insurance and be without ample protection from fire, than to spend money to improve the facilities for fighting fire?

The question should be all the more pointed, coming so soon after the awful onflagration in Baltimore and the utter absence of the operation of our water works system a whole day at a time within the past month.

More money should be devoted to the water works system and a large amount hould be spent on it the coming year to bring about an efficiency that will guarantee safety, and in connection with his the fire department should be looked after and made just as con squipment as it is possible to do.

A city may pave streets year after year and spend all its money that way out what good are those paved streetn the end, if flames arise and sweep the blocks along them away? There should se less street paving this year and more leference paid to the water works an ire fighting apparatus.

Col. Thomas G. Brady believes in ad ertising his home city and one of the mppy ways he does it is to have these vords: "Four cent gas and dollar coal." printed across his letter heads. He writes far and wide and none fail te

observe the information he thus giveabout the city. Among those who have noticed this unique, but very sensible idvertisement is the Austin Manufac uring Company, of Chicago, So im pressed was this company with it that Mr. Brady is in receipt of a latter from that firm saying it is the most attracave that has come under its observation und will do much in making Clarksbur

i great manufacturing center. Mr. Brady is sowing seeds. They are already spronting and soon they will be fruit bearing plants. The Telegram suggests that Clarksburg business me renerally can well afford to emulate Mr Brady in this.

Beef came to be a very disturbing element in the late Spanish-American war, as all remember, and it appears to be cetting that way again. A cargo of it m an American ship on the way to Russia will likely be captured in a day or to by the Japs and the state department at Washington says if Japan will buy it that will end the trouble on that 5. The soires are high-class patronized The suggestions and comparisons he particular lot of beef, but if they do not and addended by the best young people. some one may have to take the bull by Prejudiced, he began to study this ques- the horns or be chased all over the barn is all you could ask. tion, but at the end be arrives at con-clusions of great force, showing that the truth of the situation actually out. Into a goring position.

Russia is termed a Christian nation, People wishing to buy their but about the only way be can see it is error as to his conclusions, but none who from the Jewish standpoint, or rather have thorough knowledge of the subject that that savage people had it in their hearts that the only way to become The lesson he brings that where a Christianized was to murder all the ommunity will indulge in the sale and Jews. From that standpoint Russia might be termed a typical Christian nation but certainly from no other.

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Tendency of the Times. The tendency of medical science is toward preventative measures. The best thought of the world is being given to the subject. It is easier and better to prevent than to cure. It has been fully lemonstrated that pneumonia, one of the most dangerous diseases that medica nen have to contend with, can be prevented by the use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Pneumonia always results from a cold or from an attack of nfluenza (grip), and it has been observd that this remedy counteracts any tenlency of these diseases toward pneumona. This has been fully proven in many thousands of cases in which this remedy has been fised during the great prevailunce of colds and grip in recent years and can be relied upon with implicit conidence. Pneumonia often results from a slight cold when no danger is apprehended until it is suddenly discovered that there is fever and difficulty in breathing und pains in the chest, then it is an nounced that the patient has pneumonia. Be on the safe side and take Chamber lain's Cough Remedy as soon as the cold is contracted. It always cures. For sale by G. C. Stone, druggist.

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